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Applicant: Hisashi YAJIMA et al. Conf.: 9045  
Appl. No.: 09/916,534 Group: 2654  
Filed: July 30, 2001 Examiner: A.K. AZAD  
For: SPEECH CODING APPARATUS CAPABLE OF  
IMPLEMENTING ACCEPTABLE IN-CHANNEL  
TRANSMISSION OF NON-SPEECH SIGNALS

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Commissioner for Patents  
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March 3, 2005

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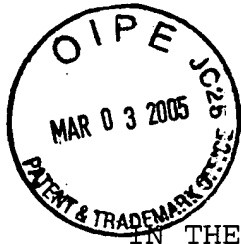
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In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated December 13, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This Paper includes:

**Amendments to the Specification**, which begin on page 2 of this paper;

**Amendments to the Claims**, which are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper; and

**Remarks/Arguments**, which begin on page 19 of this paper.